

# UFCW Local 1776KS Pennsylvania Voter Guide



Support  
Candidates  
who Support  
You!



**Julie  
Slomski (D)**



**Kristy  
Gnibus (D)**



**Janet  
Diaz (D)**



**Matt  
Cartwright (D)**



**Bridget  
Kosierowski (D)**



**Emily  
Skopov (D)**



**Pam  
Iovino (D)**



**Tom  
Mehaffie (R)**



**Anton  
Andrew (D)**



**Brian  
Fitzpatrick (R)**

## General Election 2020

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## From the PRESIDENT



By Wendell W. Young IV

Dear UFCW 1776 Member,

As I write this, there are 45 days left until Election Day – Tuesday, November 3rd, 2020. The upcoming Presidential election is obviously at the forefront of voters' minds, but there are other important races on the ticket, from our US Representatives to our state Senators and Representatives.

As our nation is battling the COVID-19 pandemic and it is clear, more than ever, that who we elect at every level of government matters.

Within this booklet you will learn more about the candidates your Union has endorsed. Our endorsement process takes into consideration a wide range of issues and we are proud to be a union that endorses candidates of both parties.

This is the first General Election where Pennsylvanians can choose to vote with a mail-in ballot without an excuse. You must already be registered to vote to request a ballot.

Applications to receive a mail-in ballot must be received by your county election office by October 27th. In order for your vote to count, ballots must be received by your county election office by 8 PM on November 3rd. A postmark on that date is not enough.

If you have not registered to vote before, it is easy to do online. **Visit [www.votespa.com](http://www.votespa.com)** and follow the prompts to register to vote. **To vote on November 3rd, you must register by October 19th.**

PA ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION

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VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION

Deadline Alert: 10/19/2020 is the last day to register before the 11/03/2020 election.

If you are not a U.S. citizen and a resident of Pennsylvania at least 30 days before the next election, you CANNOT register to vote.

If you have any questions, please call 1.877.VOTESPA (1.877.868.3772).

Your registration is **not complete** until processed and accepted by your county voter registration office.

To vote in the next election, you must complete your application by 10/19/2020. You can submit your application:

- On this web site
- Delivered to your county voter registration office.
- By mail to your county voter registration office, received by 10/19/2020.
- Click here to download a blank voter registration form
- If you are on active duty in the military, or you are a hospitalized or bedridden veteran, you can register at any time. See [www.lvap.gov](http://www.lvap.gov) for more information.

If you have one, please have your PA driver's license or PennDOT ID available to reference as you complete the application.

Also, please know any section or field that's marked with a red indicator or an asterisk (\*) is required to be filled out in order to submit an application.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Your Name

First Name

Middle Name/Initial

Middle Name/Initial

If you aren't sure if you're registered, you can check your registration status at that same website.

Whether you vote in-person or via the mail, I strongly urge you to exercise your right to vote. Our nation's future depends upon it.

In solidarity,  
Wendell Young IV  
President



**JOE BIDEN**



**DONALD TRUMP**

**VS**

Our union has endorsed Joe Biden as the clear candidate who favors workers over corporations, equality versus division and unions for all versus destroying unions. The choice is clear when it comes for endorsement. Joe Biden stands for everything our union works everyday to accomplish for our members, while Donald Trump stands for everything that is designed to tear down your ability to collectively bargain. **Here is where the candidates stand on the issues:**

### **JOE BIDEN**

1. Joe Biden supports hazard pay for essential workers like you.
2. During Covid-19, Joe Biden believes we need to strengthen OSHA and promote more workers safety legislation.
3. Joe Biden supports paid sick leave and his plan will cover workers for up to 14 days.
4. Joe Biden will defend union pension plans, Social Security and Medicare. Believes in every employee's right to organize, join and form a union.

### **DONALD TRUMP**

1. Donald Trump opposes hazard pay for essential workers like you.
2. During the pandemic, rather than protecting workers, Donald Trump ordered workers to stay on the job in meatpacking facilities without any new safety protections.
3. Donald Trump opposes paid sick leave and has made it easier for corporations to deny it to workers.
4. Donald Trump's new payroll tax change would defund Social Security and Medicare



# UFCW 1776 PENNSYLVANIA ENDORSEMENTS

**President of the  
United States:**

Joe Biden (D)



**Vice  
President:**

Kamala Harris (D)



**Pennsylvania Attorney  
General:**

Josh Shapiro (D)



**Pennsylvania Auditor  
General:**

Nina Ahmad (D)



**Pennsylvania  
Treasurer:**

Joe Torsella (D)

## UFCW 1776 Keystone State Congressional Endorsements

PA-1: Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick (R)	PA-7: Rep. Susan Wild (D)	PA-13: Raymond Rowley (D)
PA-2: Rep. Brendan Boyle (D)	PA-8: Rep. Matt Cartwright (D)	PA-14: William Marx (D)
PA-3: Rep. Dwight Evans (D)	PA-9: Susan Quick (D)	PA-15: Robert Williams (D)
PA-4: Rep. Madeleine Dean (D)	PA-10: Eugene DePasquale (D)	PA-16: Kristy Gnibus (D)
PA-5: Rep. Mary Gay Scanlon (D)	PA-11: Sarah Hammond (D)	PA-17: Rep. Conor Lamb (D)
PA-6: Rep. Chrissy Houlahan (D)	PA-12: Lee Griffin (D)	PA-18: Rep. Mike Doyle (D)

## UFCW 1776 Keystone State Pennsylvania State Senate Endorsements

SD-9: John Kane (D)	SD-23: Jaclyn Baker (D)	SD-39: Taylor Waltenbaugh (D)
SD-11: Sen. Judy Schwank (D)	SD-25: Margaret Brown (D)	SD-41: Anthony DeLoreto (D)
SD-13: Janet Diaz (D)	SD-27: Michelle Siegel (D)	SD-45: Sen. Jim Brewster (D)
SD-15: George Scott (D)	SD-31: Shanna Danielson (D)	SD-47: Stephan Krizan (D)
SD-17: Amanda Cappelletti (D)	SD-33: Richard Sterner (D)	SD-49: Julie Slomski (D)
SD-19: Carolyn Comitta (D)	SD-35: Shaun Dougherty (D)	
SD-21: Shelbie Stromyer (D)	SD-37: Sen. Pam Iovino (D)	

## UFCW 1776 Keystone State Pennsylvania House of Representative Endorsements

HD-5: Graham Gonzales (D)	HD-75: Ryan Grimm (D)	HD-139: Marian Keegan (D)
HD-6: Matt Ferrence (D)	HD-76: Joe Walsh (D)	HD-140: Rep. John Galloway (D)
HD-8: Phil Heasley (D)	HD-77: Rep. Scott Conklin (D)	HD-141: Rep. Tina Davis (D)
HD-9: Rep. Chris Sainato (D)	HD-79: Jason Runk (D)	HD-142: Rep. Frank Farry (R)
HD-10: Kolbe Cole (D)	HD-81: Ian Kidd (D)	HD-143: Rep. Wendy Ullman (D)
HD-11: Sam Doctor (D)	HD-83: Airneezer Page (D)	HD-144: Rep. Todd Polinchock (R)
HD-12: Dan Smith (D)	HD-84: Amanda Waldman (D)	HD-145: Robyn Colajezzi (D)
HD-13: Rich Ruggieri (D)	HD-87: Nicole Miller (D)	HD-146: Rep. Joe Ciresi (D)
HD-15: Robert Williams (D)	HD-88: Tara Shakespeare (D)	HD-147: Jill Dennin (D)
HD-16: Rep. Rob Matzie (D)	HD-92: Douglas Ross (D)	HD-150: Rep. Joe Webster (D)
HD-18: Rep. KC Tomlinson (R)	HD-95: Rep. Carol Hill-Evans (D)	HD-152: Nancy Guenst (D)
HD-21: Rep. Sara Innamorato (D)	HD-97: Dana Gulick (D)	HD-154: Napoleon Nelson (D)
HD-25: Rep. Brandon Markosek (D)	HD-98: Bill Troutman (D)	HD-155: Rep. Danielle Friel Otten (D)
HD-26: Paul Friel (D)	HD-99: Richard Hodge (D)	HD-156: Dianne Herrin (D)
HD-28: Emily Skopov (D)	HD-101: Calvin Clements (D)	HD-157: Rep. Melissa Shusterman (D)
HD-29: Rep. Meghan Schroeder (R)	HD-102: Matthew Duvall (D)	HD-158: Rep. Chris Sappey (D)
HD-30: Lissa Geiger Shulman (D)	HD-104: Patty Smith (D)	HD-159: Rep. Brian Kirkland (D)
HD-31: Rep. Perry Warren (D)	HD-105: Brittney Rodas (D)	HD-160: Anton Andrew (D)
HD-33: Rep. Frank Dermody (D)	HD-106: Rep. Tom Mehaffie (R)	HD-161: Rep. Leanne Krueger (D)
HD-36: Jessica Benham (D)	HD-109: William Monahan (D)	HD-162: Rep. Dave Dellosa (D)
HD-37: John Padora (D)	HD-113: Rep. Marty Flynn (D)	HD-163: Rep. Mike Zabel (D)
HD-39: Sara-Summer Oilphant (D)	HD-114: Rep. Bridget Kosierowski (D)	HD-165: Rep. Jennifer O'Mara (D)
HD-40: Sharon Guidi (D)	HD-115: Rep. Maureen Madden (D)	HD-166: Rep. Greg Vitali (D)
HD-41: Michele Wherley (D)	HD-118: Rep. Mike Carroll (D)	HD-167: Rep. Kristine Howard (D)
HD-44: Michele Knoll (D)	HD-119: Rep. Gerald Mullery (D)	HD-171: Pete Buckland (D)
HD-45: Rep. Anita Kulik (D)	HD-120: Rep. Aaron Kaufer (R)	HD-172: Rep. Kevin Boyle (D)
HD-46: Byron Timmins (D)	HD-123: Peter Symons (D)	HD-176: Claudette Williams (D)
HD-48: Harlan Shoher (D)	HD-124: Taylor Picone (D)	HD-177: Rep. Joe Hohenstein (D)
HD-49: Randy Barli (D)	HD-126: Rep. Mark Rozzi (D)	HD-178: Rep. Wendi Thomas (R)
HD-50: Rep. Pam Snyder (D)	HD-127: Manny Guzman (D)	HD-182: Rep. Brian Sims (D)
HD-52: Harry Cochran (D)	HD-129: Kelly McDonough (D)	HD-183: Jason Ruff (D)
HD-53: Rep. Steve Malagari (D)	HD-130: Francis Foley (D)	HD-184: Rep. Elizabeth Fielder (D)
HD-55: Rep. Joe Petrarca (D)	HD-131: Kevin Branco (D)	HD-187: Michael Blichar (D)
HD-58: Rob Prah (D)	HD-132: Rep. Mike Schlossberg (D)	HD-189: Adam Rodriguez (D)
HD-61: Rep. Liz Hanbidge (D)	HD-133: Rep. Jeanne McNeill (D)	HD-190: Amen Brown (D)
HD-62: Dennis Semsick (D)	HD-135: Rep. Steve Samuelson (D)	HD-194: Rep. Pam DeLissio (D)
HD-70: Rep. Matt Bradford (D)	HD-137: Katelind Brennan (D)	HD-199: Janelle Crossley (D)
HD-74: Rep. Dan Williams (D)	HD-138: Tara Zrinski (D)	

(\*these endorsements are for **CONTESTED** general election races)



# CANDIDATE SPOTLIGHT BY COUNTY

## Vote Up and Down the Ballot



### ALLEGHENY COUNTY:



**Sen. Pam Iovino**  
(SD37 D)



**Sen. Jim Brewster**  
(SD45 D)



**Emily Skopov**  
(HD28 D)



**Lissa Geiger Shulman**  
(HD30 D)

**Senator Pam Iovino** sits on the PA Senate Labor Committee supporting our members, while **Senator Jim Brewster** is the Senate Law and Justice committee chair for the Senate Democrats, where he is a stalwart defender of our members at the Wine and Spirits stores. **Emily Skopov** is looking to flip a seat previously held by the most anti-UFCW lawmaker in the state, Mike Turzai. **Lissa Geiger Shulman** is an education advocate and a strong supporter of worker safety.

### BUCKS COUNTY:



**Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick**  
(CD1 R)



**Rep. Frank Farry**  
(HD142 R)



**Rep. Wendy Ullman**  
(HD143 D)



**Rep. Wendi Thomas**  
(HD178 R)

In Bucks County, **Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick** has supported our members voting for a \$15 minimum wage and legislation to help fund union pension plans. In the PA House, **Rep. Frank Farry** has been a long-standing supporter of our members and their right to collectively bargain. First-term State **Rep. Wendy Ullman** has been fighting for worker safety in light of Covid-19, while **Rep. Wendi Thomas** is the prime sponsor of both paid leave legislation, as well LGBTQ non-discrimination legislation.

### DAUPHIN COUNTY:



**Eugene DePasquale**  
(CD10 D)



**George Scott**  
(SD15 D)



**Brittney Rodas**  
(HD105 D)



**Rep. Tom Mehaffie**  
(HD106 D)

**Eugene DePasquale** is PA's Audio General and is now making a run for Congress to put workers first in Central PA. For State Senate, George Scott is taking on anti-union **Senator John DiSanto** who is looking to take away worker rights. In the PA House, **Brittney Rodas** is a former PA House staffer who has worked on liquor issues related to UFCW membership, while **Rep. Tom Mehaffie** has been a strong defender of our members everywhere and is fighting for paid leave for those who contract Covid-19.

### DELAWARE COUNTY:



**John Kane**  
(SD9 D)



**Anton Andrew**  
(HD160 D)



**Rep. Dave Dellosa**  
(HD162 D)



**Rep. Jennifer O'Mara**  
(HD165 D)

In Delaware County, we have an opportunity to put a fellow union member in **John Kane** (Plumbers Union business manager) into the State Senate. In the PA House, **Anton Andrew** is running for an open seat is running on the platform of a living wage and equal pay for equal work. **Rep. Dave Dellosa** is the prime sponsor of a recreational marijuana bill that would create and protect thousands of UFCW jobs, while **Rep. Jenn O'Mara** is fighting for stronger collective bargaining rights for workers and is the co-chair of the PA Student Debt caucus.

### ERIE COUNTY:



**Kristy Gnibus**  
(CD16 D)



**Julie Slomski**  
(SD49 D)



**Rep. Ryan Bizzarro**  
(HD3 D)

In US Congress, our members have a chance to send a pro-union candidate in **Kristy Gnibus** to US Congress to fight for our members. **Julie Slomski** is taking on anti-UFCW lawmaker Dan Laughlin for PA Senate, and has vowed to fight for the issues most important to our members. **Rep. Ryan Bizzarro** has consistently championed pro-worker issues in his time in the state legislature.

### LACKAWANNA AND LUZERNE COUNTIES:



**Congressman Matt Cartwright**  
(CD8 D)



**Rep. Bridget Kosierowski**  
(HD114 D)



**Rep. Gerald Mullery**  
(HD119 D)



**Rep. Aaron Kaufer**  
(HD120 R)

**Congressman Matt Cartwright** is running for re-election to continue his work in passing the HEROES Act to provide hazard pay and worker protections for all essential workers. **Rep. Bridget Kosierowski** is the prime sponsor of legislation that would provide more PPE to our members in food processing. **Rep. Gerald Mullery** was one of the lead advocates in pushing back against one of our employers to force them to implement Covid-19 worker safety policies, while **Rep. Aaron Kaufer** is a supporter of ending LGBTQ discrimination.

### MONTGOMERY COUNTY:



**Congresswoman Madeleine Dean**  
(CD4 D)



**Rep. Steve Malagari**  
(HD53 D)



**Jill Dennin**  
(HD147 D)



**Nancy Guenst**  
(HD152 D)

**Congresswoman Madeleine Dean** is a rising star in US Congress who has helped fight for our members during this pandemic. **Rep. Steve Malagari** is the prime sponsor of legislation that would force meatpacking employers to adhere to Covid-19 safety regulations in PA. Both **Jill Dennin** and **Nancy Guenst** are running in open seats and are advocating for affordable health care for all of our members.



# TOP PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATIVE ISSUES:

Here are the major issues that could impact UFCW Local 1776 members and families that lawmakers in Harrisburg and Washington, D.C. are currently considering:



## Hazard Pay:

Workers in food processing, nursing homes, grocery stores, pharmacies, and in the public sector, among other areas, have stepped up throughout the pandemic at great risk of exposure to the coronavirus. We fought hard to secure hazard pay for members, and we are supporting the federal and state legislation that would reenact hazard pay for frontline workers as this pandemic continues.



## Paid Sick Leave:

Legislation pending in Harrisburg would allow workers to use paid sick leave to recover from an illness, such as COVID-19, for medical appointments, to care for a family member, or to seek help from abuse or violence. This bill would help an estimated 400,000 Pennsylvania workers and their families.



## Butch Lewis Pension Bill:

This federal legislation would protect the pensions of 1.3 million workers and retirees, including thousands of current and retired Acme workers in the Philadelphia region, by establishing a new office within the U.S. Treasury Department that would administer loans to troubled pension plans using the money from the sale of the long-term bonds. These loans would allow multiemployer union pension plans to remain solvent, grow their assets, and pay promised benefits.



## Stable Nursing Home Funding:

Working with Governor Tom Wolf and Berks County Lawmakers, UFCW Local 1776 was able to secure millions of dollars in Medicaid reimbursement funds and InterGovernmental Transfer Funds to go towards County Nursing homes, which saved over 300 of our members jobs at Berks Heim nursing home in Berks County.



## Pharmacy Tech:

UFCW Local 1776 is actively working to get House Bill 770 passed which would establish a state certification system for pharmacy techs. We represent hundreds of techs who would benefit from this legislation by having state standards for this certification. We believe it would improve starting rates and give our techs more flexibility in advancing their careers.



## Adult Use/Recreational Marijuana:

The legalization of Adult Use/Recreational Marijuana will create new jobs and help Pennsylvania to generate million of dollars in new tax revenues to close our state budget deficit and help fund core programs, such as public education. UFCW is the leader in organizing worksites in the medical marijuana industry and we look forward to building on this success in this new industry.



## LGBTQ Non-Discrimination:

UFCW Local 1776, along with our International, has long led the fight against discrimination based upon race, creed, or sexual orientation, gender identity and expression. We are proud of our UFCW OUTreach initiative, which is dedicated to building mutual support between our union's International, regions, and locals and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) community and their allies. We recognize that the LGBTQ community is not protected from discrimination in PA and UFCW Local 1776 supports legislative efforts to address this unjust practice in PA.



## American Dream and Promise Act:

Our 35,000 members are stronger, together because of our diversity. That is why we support this federal legislation, which would provide Dreamers and immigrants eligible for Temporary Protected Status and Deferred Enforced Departure with a pathway to citizenship and permanent protections from deportation. These protections provide a necessary step forward in defending immigrants' rights.



## Line Speed Regulations:

UFCW Local 1776 will continue to lead the fight to block the repeated efforts of the Trump Administration and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to eliminate or ease line speed regulations at poultry and other food processing facilities. The quicker workers are forced to move and process chickens, the more likely they are to injure themselves.



## Public Sector OSHA:

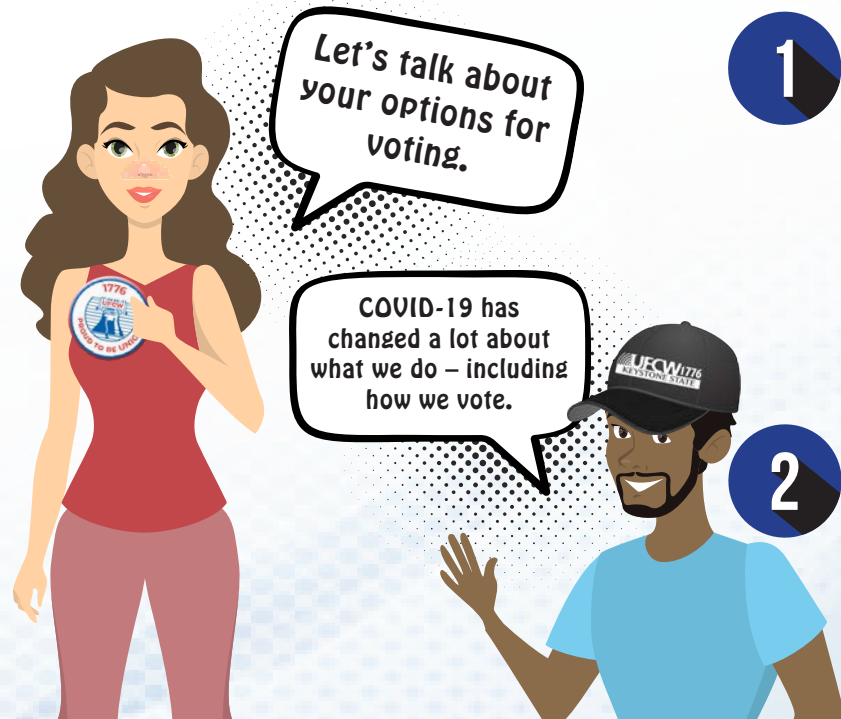
UFCW Local 1776 represents thousands of workers in the public sector that deserve OSHA style protections from their government employer. The federal Occupational Safety and Health Act applies to private-sector employers and their employees only. For public-sector employees to be protected, states must enact their own OSHA-approved state plans.



## PLCB Wine and Spirits:

UFCW Local 1776 is proud to represent more than 3,500 hard working members at Pennsylvania's Fine Wine and Good Spirits shops. We continue to be vigilant fighting back against the right-wing attacks and attempts to privatize our system.

# WAYS TO VOTE IN PENNSYLVANIA



## 1 VOTE IN PERSON

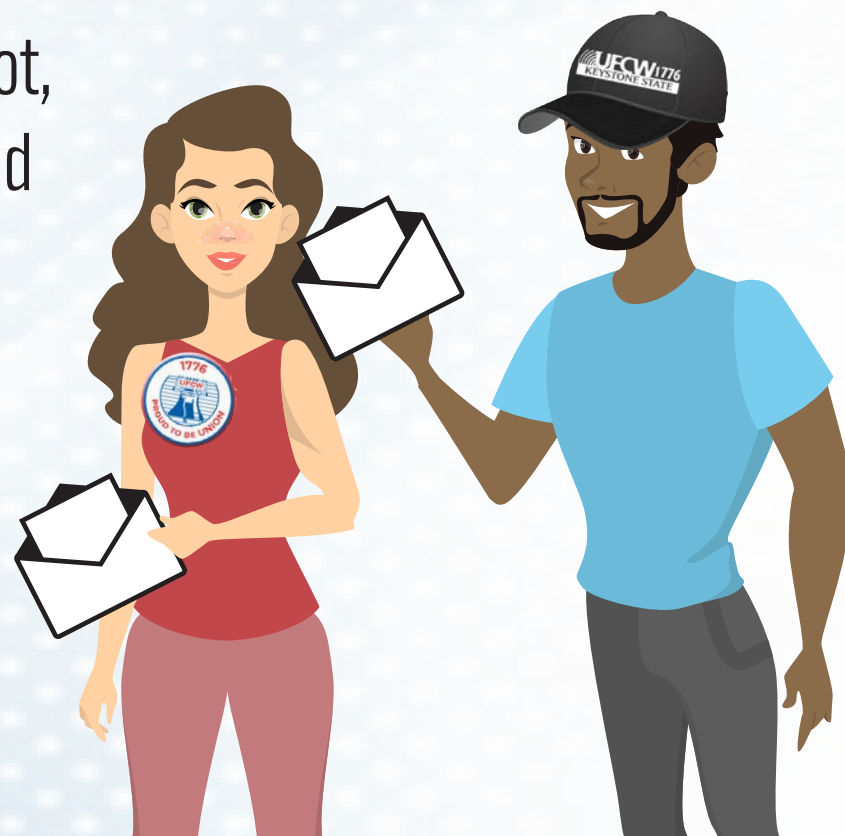
You can still go vote in person on Election Day. Have a plan to go to the polls. Know where your polling place is, what time you'll go, and how you'll get there ahead of time.

## 2 MAIL-IN BALLOT

Any Pennsylvania voter can request a mail-in ballot during this election. You don't need to give a reason.

If you'll be voting by mail-in ballot, it's important to request your ballot as soon as you can, and cast your ballot as soon as you get it.

When you get your ballot, fill out your choices, and be sure to sign it.



# WAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR MAIL-IN BALLOT

- 1 Mail your ballot to your county election office
- 2 Drop off the ballot to your county election office
- 3 Drop off your ballot in a designated dropbox



**It's called a mail-in ballot,**  
**but you don't have to mail it in!**

Pennsylvania voters can submit their ballots in person to their county voting offices and some counties are setting up dropboxes.





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